Year	No. of Licence Issued	CIF Value (Rs. crore)	FOB Value (Rs. crore)	Realised for (Rs. Crore)	VALUE %age
1994-95	43040	11404.2	23949.94	7464.99	38.34%
1995-96	35896	11180.02	28261.29	1817.45	8.6%

Note: The %age of realised FOB value also taken into account the surrendered/ cancelled licences into account.

The extent of export obligation fulfilled reflected in the last Col. has been calculated against cases which have been finally closed. However, there are cases where export obligation has been fulfilled a either partially or in full but have not been closed due to non-compliance of procedural formalties, which have not been taken into account while reporting the extent of export obligation fulfilled.

Statement-II

Report on E.P.C.G. Licences

Licensing Year	Export Obligation Imposed	Export Obligation Fulfilled	%age of Export Obligation Fulfilled
1992-93	9947.04	5906.55	59.38
1993-94	8701.13	2989.70	34.36
1994-95	13107.01	1981.77	15.12
1995-96	59945.61	NIL	NIL

Excise duty exemption to SSIS

3374. SHRI RAMNATH KOVIND:
DR. RANBIR SINGH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Small Scale Industries have requested Government to enhance limit of general excise duty exemptions for their sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to take some action on these requests; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A number of Small Scale Industries through their respective associations have suggested enhancement of the limit of general excise duty exemption from Rs. 30 lakhs to Rs. 50/100 lakhs.

(c) and (d) At present, full exemption from excise duty is available in respect of goods manufactured by SSI units upto a value of clearance of Rs. 30 lakhs in a financial year. For clearance in excess of Rs. 30 lakhs but not exceeding Rs. 50 lakhs, a concessional rate of duty, i.e. normal duty rate minus 10 percentage points, subject to a minimum of 5% applies. For clearance in excess of Rs. 50 lakhs but not exceeding Rs.75 lakhs, the concessional rate is normal rate minus 5%age points subject to a minimum of 5%. The full exemption of Rs. 39 lakhs covers a substantial portion of SSI units and only very few units pay duty for clearance in excess of Rs. 30 lakhs. Though the SSI units account for 40% of the production in the manufacturing sector, their contribution to excise revenue is reported to be negligible. Therefore, any enhancement in the limit for full exemption will benefit only a handful of units and entail significant revenue implications.